

## Slice of Life Hat by Mary Keenan

*A vertical texture stripe conceals the pattern jog at the start of each round of this versatile, reversible hat. Pull it down to your eyebrows, perch it on back of your head, or drape the slight fullness to one side and put a spotlight on the crown.*

### Materials

Twisted Fiber Art, Playful, (100% superwash merino, 360yds/120g), 140 (160, 180) yards. Shown in club colourway 'Sangria'; colour is similar to 'Kelp' coordinate for Nymph colourway at [www.twistedfiberart.com](http://www.twistedfiberart.com)

4.0 mm/US 6 - 1 set double pointed needles or size to obtain gauge.

Stitch marker.

Darning needle.

### Sizing

S (20.5"), M (22"), L (23.5")

Sample shown in M, on a 22" head.

### Gauge

23 sts, 29 rows = 4" in stocking stitch

### Abbreviations

**K:** knit.

**K2tog:** K two sts together (decrease).

**Kfb:** K into front and back of next st (increase).

**P:** purl.

**Pfb:** P into front and back of next st (increase).

**ssk:** slip, slip, knit (decrease).

**st(s):** stitch(es).

### Directions

Follow instructions for sizes S (M, L). Cast on 90 (99, 108) sts, place marker, and join to work in the round.

#### **Band**

Round 1: \*P1, K1, P2 (2, 3), K2 (3, 2), P2 (2, 3), K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 2: \*P1, K1, P2 (2, 3), K2 (3, 2), P3 (3, 4), K1; repeat from \* to end of round.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 twice more, then work Round 1 once.

Round 8: \*P1, K1, Pfb, P1 (1, 2), Kfb, K1 (2, 1), P1 (1, 2), Pfb, P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of round - 117 (126, 135) sts.

#### **Body**

Round 1: \*K12 (13, 14), P1; repeat from \* to end of round.

Round 2: \*K11 (12, 13), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of round.

Repeat Rounds 1 and 2 until hat measures 5" from cast on, ending with Round 2.

#### **Crown**

Round 1: \*K9 (10, 11), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 108 (117, 126) sts

Round 2: \*K10 (11, 12), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 3: \* K8 (9, 10), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 99 (108, 117) sts

Round 4: \*K9 (10, 11), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 5: \*K7 (8, 9), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 90 (99, 108) sts

Round 6: \*K 8 (9, 10), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.





Round 7: \*K6 (7, 8), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 81 (90, 99) sts.

Round 8: \*K7 (8, 9), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 9: \*K5 (6, 7), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 72 (81, 90) sts.

Round 10: \*K6 (7, 8), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 11: \*K4 (5, 6), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 63 (72, 81) sts.

Round 12: \*K5 (6, 7), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 13: \*K3 (4, 5), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 54 (63, 72) sts.

Round 14: \*K4 (5, 6), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 15: \*K2 (3, 4), K2tog, K1, P1 repeat from \* to end of rnd - 45 (54, 63) sts.

Round 16: \*K3 (4, 5), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 17: \*K1 (2, 3), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 36 (45, 54) sts.

Round 18: \*K2 (3, 4), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 19: \* K0 (1, 2), K2tog, K1, P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 27 (36, 45) sts.

Round 20: \*K1 (2, 3), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 21: \*K0 (0, 1), ssk 1 (0, 0) times, K2tog 0 (1, 1) times, K0 (1, 1), P1; repeat from \* to end of rnd - 18 (27, 36) sts.

Round 22: \*K0 (1, 2), P1, K1; repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 23: \*ssk 1 (1, 0) times, K2tog 0 (0, 1) times, K0 (0, 1), P 0 (1, 1); repeat from \* to end of rnd - 9 (18, 27) sts - S ends here.

Round 24: \*K- (0, 1), P- (1, 1), K- (1, 1); repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 25: \*ssk - (1, 1) times, P - (0, 1); repeat from \* to end of rnd - - (9, 18) sts - M ends here.

Round 26: \*P- (-, 1), K- (-, 1); repeat from \* to end of rnd.

Round 27: \*ssk - (-, 1) times; repeat from \* to end of rnd- - (-, 9) sts - L ends here.

### **Finishing**

Cut an 8-10" tail, thread it through a darning needle, and run it through the 9 remaining sts. Pull tight and tack inside. Run in ends and wet block.